

doctors murderers, they ought to rethink it. They ought to rethink their language. Anyone can oppose a law. Anyone can work for Senators who support their view to outlaw a woman's right to choose. I would absolutely applaud a person for taking their feelings and working to change the system. That is what America is about.

But we do not take a gun out, or a knife out, and slash each other up when we disagree. Not in this country, or at least we never did. And we are not talking about one incident; 130 incidents of violence nationwide in 1994 alone; 50 reports of death threats to doctors and other clinic workers; 40 incidents of vandalism; 16 incidents of stalking; 4 acts of arson; and 3 attempted bombings.

We better say something here in the U.S. Senate. We better say it clearly because the message has to get out. If the Attorney General feels that she needs more help, I hope she will let Members know. Senator FEINGOLD is on the Judiciary Committee and he stands ready to hear. But it is my belief, after talking to the U.S. attorney for northern California, that they are beginning to put together the type of operation they need to make these clinics safe.

We have to go on record—Republicans and Democrats alike—that we will not stand by and allow innocent people to be harmed. That is the least that we can do in this circumstance. I look forward to hearing, once more, from the majority leader, whom I have discussed this with and from the new chairman of the Judiciary Committee whom I have also discussed this with, and I want to compliment Senator OLYMPIA SNOWE for working with me in the most bipartisan fashion. As a matter of fact, we spoke very late last night. We spoke at about 11 last night, and she intends to do her part on her side of the aisle to get this bill cleared.

I hope we will do that today. Frankly, Mr. President, I think it will make us proud to pass this bipartisan bill. I yield the floor. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant legislative proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. LIEBERMAN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

A TRIBUTE TO UCONN BASKETBALL

Mr. LIEBERMAN. I thank the Chair.

Mr. President, in my home State of Connecticut we face many challenges this winter: An economy that is beginning to recover, hopes are rising, and still a lot of work to do. But there is one element of life in the State that really has brought us all closer together, and that is the University of Connecticut Huskies basketball teams.

Over the last few years, the success of the UConn men's and women's basketball teams have inspired a feverish following that has actually earned its own name, which is "Huskymania." Each season, these teams bring the State a little closer and make those cold Connecticut winters all the more bearable.

I know the occupant of the chair has some relatives from Connecticut, and he can testify at least to the coldness of the winters.

These days, we all feel with great pride that our Connecticut Huskies are top dogs. The latest basketball polls nationally show that both the men's and women's teams are ranked second in the country, which is the highest combined ranking of any school in the Nation. I think even the most passionate partisan of some other college team would recognize what a tremendous accomplishment this is for a school from a State the size of Connecticut.

I think it is really a remarkable tribute to the young men and women who have worked so hard in pursuit of excellence and a dream—the school's first national championship in basketball—and to the great coaches who lead them, Jim Calhoun and Geno Auriemma.

These Huskies, if I may continue this metaphor, clearly have a bite to match their bark. The 11-0 men's team is the only team among the Nation's 302 Division I schools that has yet to be beaten, and we are very proud of that.

It is also worth noting that the Huskies are achieving this extraordinary start this year even after losing their All-American big man, Donyell Marshall, to the NBA. If I can extend my pride regionally, it would be important to note that the UConn men this week are second to the University of Massachusetts, which marks the first time that two teams from New England have ever been ranked 1 and 2.

The UConn women's team, which is also 11-0, has been equally impressive. These Huskies have been ranked second for much of the season, actually beating their opponents by an average of more than 40 points per game. This is a very dominant team. They are led by All-American center Rebecca Lobo, who is an exceptional student athlete—remarkable athlete—but an extraordinary student as well.

So I want to take this opportunity on this particular Friday to salute both teams who, in my opinion, are a classic example of what can happen when you aim high and work hard. I want to congratulate them on their success. I know that they have a tough road ahead of them from now on, but what they have achieved up until now should not go uncomplimented and they should know how much we appreciate them.

This Monday, the UConn women will face the No. 1 Tennessee Volunteers, and on that same day, the UConn men

will get a big test when they play the 10th-ranked Georgetown team.

Regardless of what happens, to say the obvious, the State of Connecticut feels that these Huskies are winners. We wish them the best of luck as they try to not only fulfill their dreams but ours.

I thank the Chair, and I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The assistant legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

RECESS

Mr. GRASSLEY. Mr. President, I ask, as under the previous order, that the Senate stand in recess until 11 a.m.

Thereupon, the Senate, at 9:58 a.m., recessed until 11:01:39 a.m.; whereupon, the Senate reassembled when called to order by the Presiding Officer [Mr. KEMPTHORNE].

RECESS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Chair, in his capacity as a Senator from the State of Idaho, seeks unanimous consent that the Senate stand in recess until 11:30 a.m.

Without objection it is so ordered.

There being no objection, the Senate, at 11:01:48, recessed until 11:30 a.m.; whereupon, the Senate reassembled when called to order by the Presiding Officer [Mr. THOMAS].

CONGRESS-BUNDESTAG EXCHANGE

Mr. LIEBERMAN. Mr. President, since 1983, the United States Congress and the German Parliament, the Bundestag, have conducted an annual exchange program for staff members from both countries. The program gives professional staff the opportunity to observe and learn about the workings of each other's political institutions and convey Members' views on issues of mutual concern.

This year marks the fifth exchange with a reunified Germany and a parliament consisting of members from all 16 German states. A delegation of staff members from the United States Congress will be chosen to visit Germany from May 7 to May 20. During the 2-week exchange, most of it will be spent at meetings conducted by Bundestag Members, Bundestag party staff members, and representatives of political, business, academic, and the media. Cultural activities and a weekend visit in a Bundestag Member's district round out the exchange.

A comparable delegation of German staff members will visit the United States in July for a 3-week period. They will attend similar meetings here